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<b>DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION (37 CFR 1.63)</b>  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Declaration Submitted With Initial Filing <input type="checkbox"/> OR <input type="checkbox"/> Declaration Submitted after Initial Filing (surcharge (37 CFR 1.16(e)) required)	Attorney Docket Number	348/B0496
	First Named Inventor	PINCHERA Aldo
	<b>COMPLETE IF KNOWN</b>	
	Application Number	TBD
	Filing Date	
	Art Unit	TBD
	Examiner Name	TBD

**I hereby declare that:**

Each inventor's residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to their name.

I believe the inventor(s) named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

*3,5,3'-Triiodothyronine sulfate as thyromimetic agent and pharmaceutical formulations thereof*

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

☐ is attached hereto

OR

☒ was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) **November 11, 2003** as United States Application Number of PCT InternationalApplication Number **PCT/EP03/12584** and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(a)-(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or 365(a) of any PCT International application designating at least one country other than the United States of America, filed within 12 months (6 months for design) prior to this application, and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or any PCT international application designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) on which priority is claimed (if any)

Prior Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Foreign Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Priority Claimed		Certified Copy Attached?	
			YES	NO	YES	NO
MI2002A002394	IT	November 13, 2002	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
PCT/EP03/12584	PCT	November 11, 2003	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below (if any):

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☐ Additional foreign application numbers are listed on a supplemental priority data sheet PTO/SB/02B attached hereto.

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<b>POWER OF ATTORNEY and CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS INDICATION FORM</b>	<b>Application Number</b>	TBD
	<b>Filing Date</b>	
	<b>First Named Inventor</b>	Aldo PINCHERA
	<b>Title</b>	3,5,3'-Triiodothyronine sulfate as thyromimetic agent and pharmaceutical formulations thereof
	<b>Art Unit</b>	TBD
	<b>Examiner Name</b>	TBD
	<b>Attorney Docket Number</b>	348/B0496 US

I hereby revoke all previous powers of attorney given in the above-identified application.

I hereby appoint:

☒ Practitioners associated with the Customer Number:31,834

OR

☐ Practitioner(s) named below:

Name	Registration Number

as my/our attorney(s) or agent(s) to prosecute the application identified above, and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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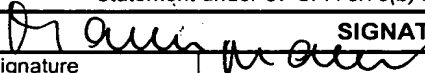
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Address				
City		State		Zip
Country				
Telephone		Fax		

I am the:

☐ Applicant/Inventor.☒ Assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.  
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96)

 <b>SIGNATURE of Applicant or Assignee of Record</b>			
Signature		Date	March 29, 2005
Name	Diana Bracco	Telephone	
Title and Company	Legal Representative of Bracco SpA		
<b>NOTE:</b> Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below *.			
<input type="checkbox"/> *Total of _____ forms are submitted.			

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.31, 1.32 and 1.33. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 3 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require completing this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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## DECLARATION --- UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION

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Name				
Address				
City		State		ZIP
Country		Telephone		Fax
I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.				
NAME OF SOLE OR FIRST INVENTOR:			<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor	
Given Name (first and middle (if any))			Family Name or Surname	
Aldo			PINCHERA	
Inventor's Signature			Date	
			MARCH 24, 2005	
Residence: City	State	Country	Citizenship	
PISA	ITALY	Italy	Italian	
Mailing Address				
Via SAN LORENZO, 23				
City	State	Zip	Country	
PISA		56127	ITALY	
NAME OF SECOND INVENTOR:			<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor	
Given Name (first and middle (if any))			Family Name or Surname	
Ferruccio			SANTINI	
Inventor's Signature			Date	
			March 24, 2005	
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City	State	Zip	Country	
Carrara		54036	Italy	
NAME OF THIRD INVENTOR:			<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor	
Given Name (first and middle (if any))			Family Name or Surname	
Inventor's Signature			Date	
Residence: City	State	Country	Citizenship	
		Italy	Italian	
Mailing Address				
City	State	Zip	Country	
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional inventors or a legal representative are being named on the _____ supplemental sheet(s) PTO/SB/02A or 02LR attached hereto.				

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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**Applicant/Patent Owner: Bracco SpA

Application No./Patent No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Filed/Issue Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Entitled: 3,5,3'-Triiodothyronine sulfate as thyromimetic agent and pharmaceutical formulations thereofBracco SpA, a corporation

(Name of Assignee)

(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

states that it is:

1. ☒ the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or
2. ☐ an assignee of less than the entire right, title and interest.  
The extent (by percentage) of its ownership interest is \_\_\_\_\_ %

in the patent application/patent identified above by virtue of either:

A. ☐ An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above. The assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel \_\_\_\_\_, Frame \_\_\_\_\_, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

OR

B. ☐ A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application/patent identified above, to the current assignee as shown below:

1. From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_  
The document was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel \_\_\_\_\_, Frame \_\_\_\_\_, or for which a copy thereof is attached.
2. From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_  
The document was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel \_\_\_\_\_, Frame \_\_\_\_\_, or for which a copy thereof is attached.
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The document was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel \_\_\_\_\_, Frame \_\_\_\_\_, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

☐ Additional documents in the chain of title are listed on a supplemental sheet.

☒ Copies of assignments or other documents in the chain of title are attached.

[NOTE: A separate copy (i.e., a true copy of the original assignment document(s)) must be submitted to Assignment Division in accordance with 37 CFR Part 3, if the assignment is to be recorded in the records of the USPTO. See MPEP 302.08]

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

Diana Bracco

Signature

March 29, 2005

Date

Diana Bracco

Printed or Typed Name

Telephone Number

Legal Representative of Bracco SpA

Title

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**Box No. VIII (iv) DECLARATION: INVENTORSHIP** (only for the purposes of the designation of the United States of America)  
*The declaration must conform to the following standardized wording provided for in Section 214: see Notes to Boxes Nos. VIII, VIII (i) to (v) (in general) and the specific Notes to Box No. VIII (iv). If this Box is not used, this sheet should not be included in the request.*

**Declaration of inventorship (Rules 4.17(iv) and 51bis.1(a)(iv))  
for the purposes of the designation of the United States of America:**

I hereby declare that I believe I am the original, first and sole (if only one inventor is listed below) or joint (if more than one inventor is listed below) inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought.

This declaration is directed to the international application of which it forms a part (if filing declaration with application).

This declaration is directed to international application No. PCT/..... (if furnishing declaration pursuant to Rule 26ter).

I hereby declare that my residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated next to my name.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified international application, including the claims of said application. I have identified in the request of said application, in compliance with PCT Rule 4.10, any claim to foreign priority, and I have identified below, under the heading "Prior Applications," by application number, country or Member of the World Trade Organization, day, month and year of filing, any application for a patent or inventor's certificate filed in a country other than the United States of America, including any PCT international application designating at least one country other than the United States of America, having a filing date before that of the application on which foreign priority is claimed.

Prior Applications: .....

I hereby acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is known by me to be material to patentability as defined by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Citizenship: Italian

Inventor's Signature: [Signature]  
(if not contained in the request, or if declaration is corrected or added under Rule 26ter after the filing of the international application. The signature must be that of the inventor, not that of the agent)

Date: 08.11.2003  
(of signature which is not contained in the request, or of the declaration that is corrected or added under Rule 26ter after the filing of the international application)

Name: Santini Ferruccio

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Citizenship: Italian

Inventor's Signature: [Signature]  
(if not contained in the request, or if declaration is corrected or added under Rule 26ter after the filing of the international application. The signature must be that of the inventor, not that of the agent)

Date: 08.11.2003  
(of signature which is not contained in the request, or of the declaration that is corrected or added under Rule 26ter after the filing of the international application)

☐ This declaration is continued on the following sheet, "Continuation of Box No. VIII (iv)".

**Box No. VIII (iii) DECLARATION: ENTITLEMENT TO CLAIM PRIORITY**

*The declaration must conform to the standardized wording provided for in Section 213; see Notes to Boxes Nos. VIII, VIII (i) to (v) (in general) and the specific Notes to Box No. VIII (iii). If this Box is not used, this sheet should not be included in the request.*

Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to claim the priority of the earlier application specified below, where the applicant is not the applicant who filed the earlier application or where the applicant's name has changed since the filing of the earlier application (Rules 4.17(iii) and 51 bis.1(a)(iii)):

in relation to this international application:

Pinchera, Aldo and Santini, Ferruccio, are entitled to claim priority of earlier application

No. MI2002A002394

by virtue of the following:

the applicants are the inventors of the subject matter for which protection was sought by way of the earlier application.

This declaration is made for the purpose of

~~a) all designations~~

b) the following designations for the national and/or regional patents: US.

☐ This declaration is continued on the following sheet, "Continuation of Box No. VIII (iii)".